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if required, with statements of the amount of the capital stock of the said corporation, and of the debts due to and from the same, of the monies deposited therein, of the notes in circulation, of the cash in hand, and of the profits made, and shall have a right to inspect such general accounts in the books of the Bank, as shall relate to such statement; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to imply a right of inspecting the account of any private individual or individuals, with the Bank, nor shall such general statement and power of inspection be used for any other purpose, than to enable him to form a just opinion of the state of the institution.

Issues restricted

Article 5.—The issues or notes usually denominated Bank notes, which it shall be lawful for the said Corporation to issue, shall not, at any time, exceed the amount of its capital stock actually paid in by the subscribers, nor shall any of said issues or notes be for a less sum than five dollars.

Oath of officers

Article 6.—The president, each director, cashier, or treasurer, before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall take the following oath or affirmation, as the case may be: I, , do swear, or affirm, that I will faithfully, impartially, diligently, and honestly, execute the duties of , agreeably to the provisions of law, and the trust reposed in me, to the best of my skill and judgment.

Amount of debts restricted

Article 7.—The total amount of the debts which the said corporation shall at any time owe, exclusive of its issues or notes, usually denominated Bank notes, whether by bond, bill, note, or other contract, shall not exceed the amount of the capital actually paid into the said Bank; *Provided*, that the money deposited in the said Bank for safe keeping, shall not be considered as the debts of the Bank within the provisions of this clause; unless the contracting of a greater debt shall have been previously authorised by a law of this State; and in case of excess, the directors, under whose administration it shall happen, shall be liable for the same in their natural and private capacities, and an action may, in such case, be brought against them, or any of them, or their heirs, executors, or administrators, in any court of record of this State, by any creditor or creditors of the said corporation, and may be prosecuted to judgment and execution, any condition, covenant, or agreement, to the contrary notwithstanding; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt the said corporation, or the lands, tenements, goods, and chattels, of the same, from being also liable for, and chargeable with, the said excess, and such

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